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COMMENT OF THE DAY

World Of Initials

IT has been recently noted by a commentator that international relations today are more and more being governed by a complex and confusing assortment of organisations, councils, committees and sub-committees all carrying high-sounding names which are immediately reduced to easily-forgotten and meaningless initials. The latest is the European Defence Community (EDC) to which Britain this week gave certain guarantees in the event of war. Britain is a member of NATO, but not of EDC, and France, Italy and Benelux are members of EDC and NATO.

While West Germany belongs to EDC but not to NATO, Britain is a member of Western Union, but America is not, and neither is Italy. Yet Western Union is more or less merged into NATO. Few can find their way surely through this amazing tangle. If such a position arises in domestic legislation it is often put right by a clarifying act. There seems to be good reason for the existing foreign complex to be straightened out also, for at the moment the process of making life difficult is going on in every sphere, all the time, all over the world.

TODAY the backward races cannot progress without a Point Four Programme, a Colombo Plan, an ECAFE, ECLA, ECOSOC, UNESCO, UNIO, WHO, and goodness knows what else—all check-a-block with committees, establishments, missions, advisory bodies, experts and vast masses of Earnest Workers. Nobody can escape the tangle. The present generation is creating a sort of mad world—and it is littered with portentous initials which few people understand. The initials themselves do not matter much—it is the bodies they represent which bear down and catch the world up in their endless tentacles. A suggestion has been advanced by one London newspaper. It is to create a body known as STWDL, which means Simplify The Whole Darned Lot. It is the considered opinion of that newspaper if such an organisation could be got going with a world-wide membership our lives would be easier, and safer.

Seek Unusual Censure

London, Apr. 24. Four Labour Members of Parliament today put forward a censure motion on the Speaker (Chairman) of the House of Commons, Mr. William A. Morrison.

They accused him of giving permission to another Labour Member of Parliament to speak early this morning in an all-night debate—then shutting him up before he had time to say anything by accepting a motion closing the sitting.

The censure motion will be discussed in the House of Commons, unless the four Members decide to withdraw it.

The last time a similar motion was tabled was nearly 20 years ago. —Reuter.

Death Of World Famed Singer

New York, Apr. 24. Elizabeth Schumann, the famous German-born opera and Lied singer, who became an American citizen during the last war, died here last night after an illness.

She was 63.

She was a direct descendant of Heinrich Schütz, one of the great sopranos of German music.

Elizabeth was born in Thüringen, where her father was an organist. Though she had a first-class operatic career, she was particularly beloved as a Lied singer.

She made her opera debut at Hamburg in 1910. She was at the Vienna State Opera from 1910 to 1928 and had a long musical association there with Richard Strauss, the composer and conductor.

Her most famous operatic role was as Sophie in his Rosenkavalier.

When Austria was annexed by the Nazis, she made her home in the United States. But before she left Austria she had gained one of the greatest honours Vienna could offer a singer, she was made an Honorary Member of the Vienna State Opera and the Vienna Philharmonic.

Critics praised Elizabeth Schumann's poetic diction and her regard for text and phrase. Her favourite composers were Mozart, Schubert, Schumann, Hugo Wolf and Richard Strauss. —Reuter.

Urban Council Chairman Testifies At Sedition Trial

DESCRIBES TRANSLATION AS FAIR, BUT "POSSIBLY COLOURLESS"

The Hon. K. M. A. Barnett, Chairman of the Urban Council and Deputy Chairman of the Board of Examiners (for the Chinese language) went into the witness box this morning when the trial of the publisher, printer and editor of the Ta Kung Pao on charges of sedition was resumed before Mr Justice Williams at the Supreme Court. Mr Barnett was called to express his views on the official translation of the alleged offending article which appeared in the March 5 issue of the Ta Kung Pao.

At one stage witness read extracts in Chinese. He also said that the use of the words "British authorities" in the article was amusing. He contended that the writer was trying to avoid using the phrase "Government of Hongkong," although in each instance the use of "British Authorities" quite obviously referred to the Hongkong Government.

Mr Percy Chen, leading counsel for the defence began his cross-examination after Mr Barnett had been in the witness box an hour giving his evidence.

Slap-Up Meal For Mutineers

Jackson, Michigan, Apr. 24.

The 179 convict mutineers at Jackson prison today fied out of their barricaded cell block into the dining hall for a meal of beefsteaks, ice cream and appropriate trimmings. — one of the rebels' terms of surrender.

They thus ended their four-day mutiny.

The convicts marched out only by one from the cell block where they had been besieged for four days. Fellow prisoners at the doors "frisked" each man for possible weapons as he emerged.

The surrender of all weapons, which included hundreds of knives and clubs, was part of the agreement by which the men gave up their revolt.

The mutineers, led by a long-term convict called "Crazy Jack" Hyatt, insisted they would accept no terms unless it was guaranteed by Michigan State Governor Mennen Williams.

Mr Williams accepted the rebels' surrender terms early today, and later the rebels released the eight last guards they had been holding as hostages. Earlier, the mutineers released another of their remaining nine warder hostages—the fifth of 13 originally seized when the revolt began on Sunday night. He collapsed before being released and was supported by convicts when he was handed over.

At the same time, one of the prisoners came out from behind the barricade and surrendered, hands high in the air. Waiting police took a long knife from him.

The rebels' terms for surrender were: no reprisals, and an 11-point programme of prison reforms. They also demanded the steel and ice-cream dinner. The riot has cost one life, with injuries to 11 convicts, four State troopers and four guards, and damage to the extent of \$2,000,000.

Governor Williams said that he accepted the men's terms to ensure the safety of the remaining nine hostages, then still held by the convicts.

In reply to the men's unqualified demand for no reprisals, he pledged that no reprisals would be taken by the guards or other personnel, who operate Michigan's goal for the State Department of Corrections.

The Governor's capitulation came after a tense night when the hostages' safety hung in the balance, against the mounting rage and frenzy of the diehards in the cell. —Reuter.

Witness explained that the Chinese liked to use words in pairs. "Sat" meant to kill by beheading, specifically but not necessarily. "To sat" was to butcher men like animals.

Mr Hooton then turned to the words "systematically" and "premeditatedly" which appeared in the translation. "Systematically" said witness, was a good translation of "you po che" and the use of "premeditatedly" for "int wa" was a reasonable translation. "A plan" was the usual meaning of "int wa" and probably a more accurate translation of the combined words would be "in a planned and systematic manner."

Of the use of "bloody," appearing in the context, Mr Barnett said that "huot seng" was a peculiar word which meant a strong and pungent smell. He said that the author was keeping up the metaphor of the slaughter house and it was a good translation.

Witness next dealt with the term "barbarous" which in Chinese is "yeh men." Originally it applied to the non-Chinese people living in the wild country and forests. It was just like the words "savage" and "barbarian"—uncivilized people behaving in an uncivilized manner. He pointed out that "yeh" in Japanese had developed into meaning stupid and dullish.

Reading in Chinese from a paragraph of the article, Mr Barnett agreed that American did appear in the words "pernicious and wicked plots of the American and British imperialists." He added that it should read "imperialism" rather than "imperialists."

Referred to the sentence "the British imperialists continue to act in obedience to the idea of America," Mr Barnett said that "will" was a better meaning for "yau sze." It was something that came down from a superior to an inferior and he was like an order from the Emperor.

FAIR TRANSLATION

Mr Hooton: Subject to those comments you have made, Mr Barnett, what is your opinion of the translation as a whole? Would you call it a fair translation?

I would say it is a fair translation. It is possibly colourless. It does not reproduce the style of the original but it represents the meaning. The impression I got is that the translator was trying to avoid extremes because of the slightly watered-down effect.

Mr Hooton next told Mr Barnett that a question had been put that in an essay the point was always put by the writer at the end of the essay.

Mr Barnett replied that the writer might have had in mind the essay known as the eighth style of prose composition, which was now extinct. It was the style used in the old Imperial Civil Service examinations with very strict rules. It was very formal and sentences were limited to four or six characters. He had been reading many of these essays but had not taken time to study writing them. "If one had another century added to one's life then it might be worth the while," he remarked. (Contd. on back page, col. 1.)

Truce Talks Enter A Difficult Phase

London, Apr. 24. A Foreign Office spokesman stated tonight that the armistice talks at Panmunjom had entered into a difficult phase because of the refusal of many Communist prisoners of war to be repatriated to North Korea.

The spokesman added that it was not a question of an American way of preventing exchange of prisoners, as Radio Peking had claimed.

The spokesman said that in order to dissuade Communist POWs from refusing to be repatriated, Allied authorities had informed the prisoners of the promise made by the Communists not to prosecute any prisoner who returned home.

Despite this assurance, many of these POWs were maintaining their opposition to the repatriation, the spokesman said. —France-Press.

Communists Storm West Berlin: Kidnap Policeman

Berlin, Apr. 24. Thousands of East Berlin Communists stormed West Berlin in a series of major demonstrations today — the worst in the city's seven-year occupation history — and battled police with stones and with their hands.

Communist "action squads," demanding German unity on Soviet terms, swarmed into the Western sectors at a score of places along the 102-mile line separating the four sectors of the city.

West German police drenched the agitators with streams from high pressure fire hoses and beat them back with clubs, injuring many.

At least 30 Communists were arrested and one West German policeman was kidnapped into the Eastern Zone.

FACTORY EXPLOSION

Stockholm, Apr. 24. A second explosion occurred in the Nobel explosives factory in Bofors, central Sweden, today while security police were investigating a case of suspected sabotage.

One worker was badly burned in today's explosion.

Sabotage is suspected.

The blast occurred while police were investigating an explosion last Friday, when 80 kilograms (about 175 lbs.) of explosives detonated while being tested.

The security police were called in after engineers had found ingredients had been mixed into the explosives, bringing their first detonation point down from 200 to 100 degrees Centigrade. —Reuter.

HICCUPS CURE

London, Apr. 24. A drink of mustard in cold water today cured George Paterson of Glasgow of hiccups. Paterson had been hiccuping for ten days. —Reuter.

POLICEMAN BEATEN

One Western policeman was beaten and kidnapped.

In Spandau, 500 Communists, mostly youths, fought 50 Western police. At Tempelhof, in front of the Borough Hall, 500 agitators blocked 100 police.

At Potsdamerplatz 3,000 Communists gathered on the Soviet side of the border but retreated when Western riot squads sped to the square. Western police also repelled Communist invasion squads throughout the city at many other points along the border.

The Communist police made no effort to break up the demonstrations, called for last week by the East German Communist Party to protest against and hinder conclusion of a contractual agreement between the Western Allies and the West German government. —United Press.

Guards Flown To Quell Riots

Rio de Janeiro, Apr. 24. Two aircraft flew 80 State Guardsmen into the town of Udenara, in Minas Gerais State, to quell riots which followed a transport workers' strike, according to reports reaching here today.

The reports said the rioters had burned down the Federal and State revenue collecting offices and other Government bureaux.

A police statement charged that there were "notorious Communist elements" among the strikers. —Reuter.

Missouri Pounds City's Dykes

Kansas City, Apr. 24. The Missouri River pounded the Greater Kansas City's reinforced and heightened dykes today with what appeared to be the head of its long mammoth crest.

"The crest is right at our back door," said E. C. Correll, United States hydrographer.

The mighty river staged here at 30.6 feet at midnight and held a steady reading at the same level at 9.30 a.m.

The dykes held and Kansas City hoped that the 50-mile long crest would carry its 397,000 cubic feet of water per second safely past a community that took a \$400,000,000 beating in the flood of 1951.

Mr Correll said that the River probably would rise more than an additional four-tenths of a foot to 31.0, which is half a foot under the predicted crest for Kansas City.

CITY KEEPS VIGIL

The River continued to pour millions of gallons of water into various places but the trouble spots are above and below Kansas City. Here the dykes are 40 feet high and an additional six feet of flashboarding have been added to sections of the protection system.

While Kansas City kept vigil, lined up men and other troops upstream at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, counted off as lost their valiant nine-day battle to save the Sherman Air Force base as the \$5,500,000 base disappeared beneath a sea of swirling yellow water.

The river found a weakness on Wednesday night and punched through the south dyke. Damage to the airfield may run as high as \$1,000,000 though planes and equipment are safely stored elsewhere.

Dry weather is predicted for the next two days. —United Press.

Man's Murder Confession

Grays, Essex, Apr. 24. Eamon Arthur Pyc, 31, of Aveley, Essex, was told the police he strangled his wife after a quarrel and then buried her at midnight in the garden of their home.

Pyc, accused of murdering her on March 2, was committed for trial to the Chelmsford Assizes.

The prosecutor said Pyc made a statement in which he said: "Before I filed the hole in my back, I got a 7 lb. bag of lime. I sprinkled all this on her body and threw the bag in the hole before I filed the hole in."

Pyc said his wife spent the previous weekend with another man. —Reuter.

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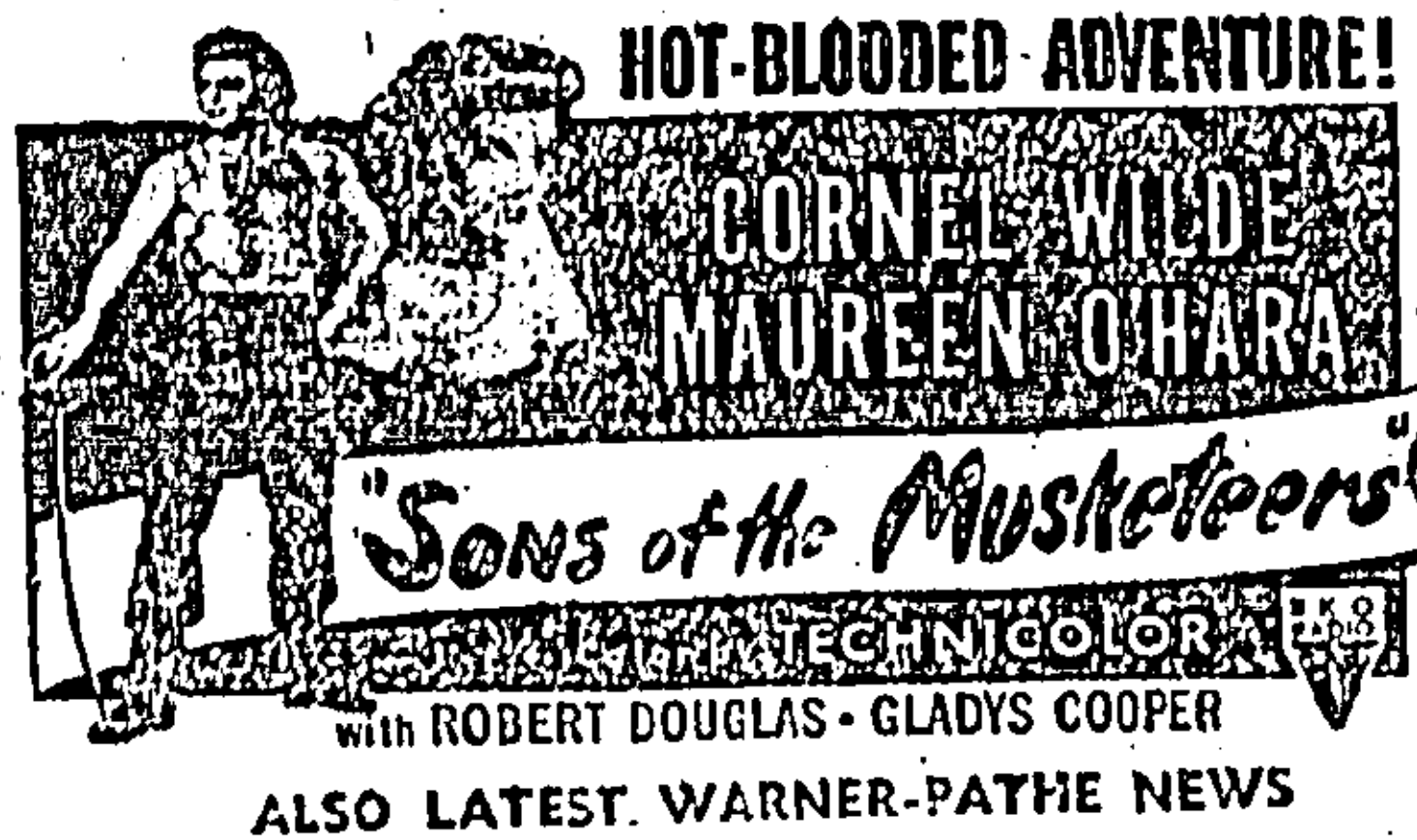
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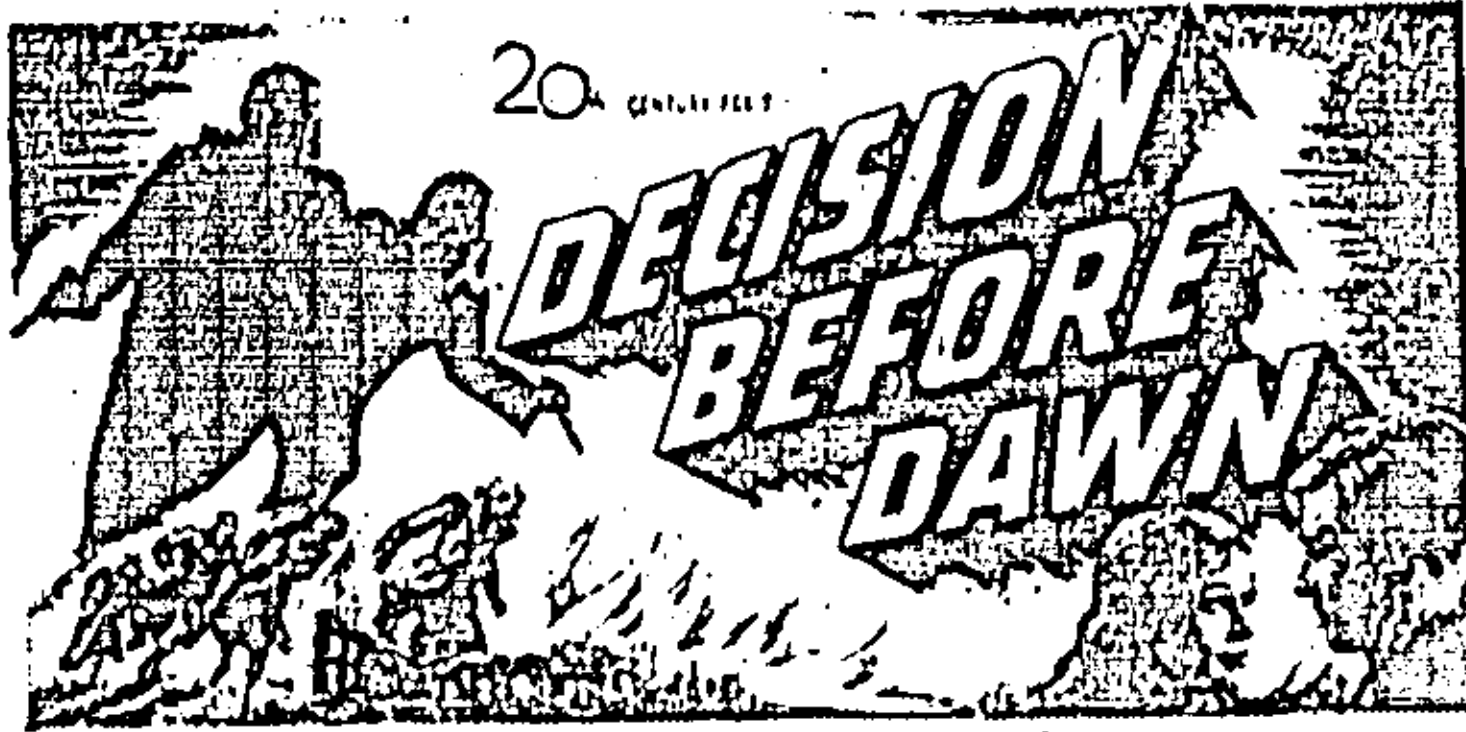
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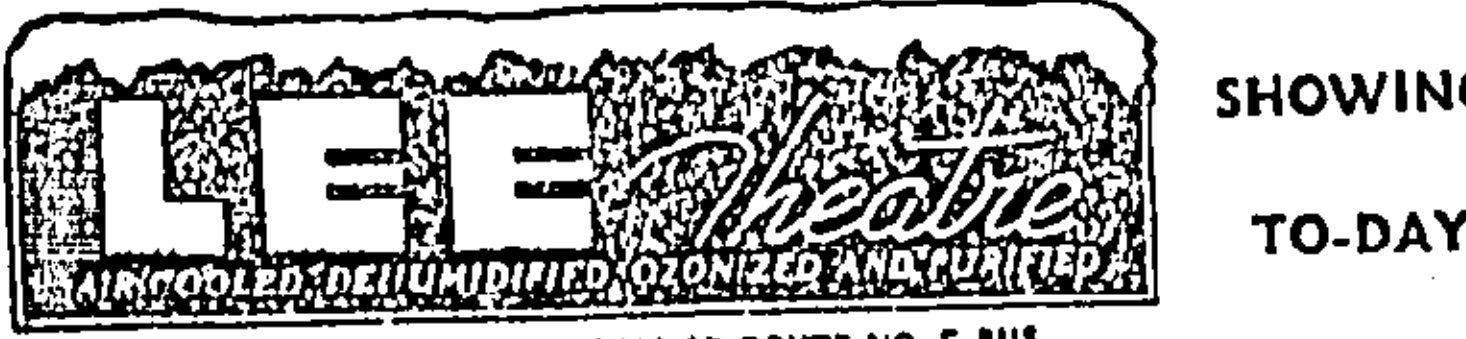
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Warming Up For Far East Duty



The 1st Battalion, Black Watch, at present in Germany, are due home shortly to prepare for duty in the Far East. They are putting in extensive weapon training in the British Zone and this picture shows a detachment of an anti-tank platoon of a support company loading the latest 17-pounder anti-tank gun in a practice shoot on the range.—Central Press.

Higher Subsidy For Farmers

London, Apr. 24.
British farmers are to get £29,000,000 more for their 1952 crops as part of a plan to expand home food production, the Minister of Agriculture, Sir Thomas Dugdale, announced in the House of Commons today.
Farmers will get some of the increase by being allowed to charge more for their products and the rest will come from subsidies paid by the Government.—Reuter.

AMERICAN REDS ON TRIAL

New York, Apr. 24.
The Government Prosecutor opened the trial of 15 "second rank" Communists here today by declaring that the defendants had detailed plans to take the Communist Party underground in the event of an emergency.
The 16 are accused of conspiracy to teach and advocate the violent overthrow of the Government.

Mrs. Elizabeth Flynn, 62-year-old member of the party's National Committee and one of the accused, opened the case for the defence.
Though not a lawyer, she is defending herself.
She denied that the Communist Party was a criminal conspiracy.
She said it was a 33-year-old political party devoted to the immediate needs and aspirations of the American people, to the advancement of the worker, the farmer and the Negro people, to the preservation of democracy and culture, and to advocacy of Socialism.—Reuter.

Paralysis Strikes

London, Apr. 24.
Three cases of infantile paralysis were confirmed in two East Suffolk villages yesterday—a brother and sister at Friston and a woman at Snape.

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Supreme Pontiff's Appeal To Women

Vatican City, Apr. 24.

Pope Pius XII today called on the women of the world to join together in imposing their will for peace upon "rulers of peoples who maintain a state of things which gives rise to war."

Speaking to leaders of women's Catholic organisations, the Pope described the horrors war brings to women. He asked whether rulers had ever reflected "with the hearts of sons upon these tragedies."

In bringing to bear their influence for peace, he particularly urged Catholic women to aim at stifling hate, linking peoples in brotherhood, and removing material causes of conflict such as poverty, unemployment and barriers to emigration.

He said they should try to:
1.—Attract men to the celestial good, inducing them sweetly to austerity, or at least to seriousness and moderation in their lives.
2.—Radiate the spirit of gentleness and sense of brotherhood and renounce a luxurious life.
3.—Educate their children in the Christian manner.

CLAMOUR OF HATE
In an apparent reference to peace appeals by Communist women's organisations, the Pope said that though far from wishing to put in doubt the sincerity of these women, their appeals were unhappily often directed at different ends (from those claimed for them) when they do not degenerate into a clamour of exasperation and hate.

Recalling the sufferings of women in war to men in general, and particularly to those "who held in their hands the choice between the sword and the olive branch," the Pope declared:
"Look with the eyes of sons on the agonies of so many mothers and wives, among whom are your own, and let these agonies weigh more heavily in the balance than considerations of prestige or immediate advantage. Do not ask for useless heroism of women."
The delegates received by the Pope in his Vatican Palace represented Catholic women's organisations in Western Germany, Belgium, Spain, Portugal, Italy, Holland, the United States, Austria, Britain, Switzerland and Uruguay.—Reuter.

Fishing Boats Fired On

Tel-Aviv, Apr. 24.
An Israeli army spokesman said today that Egyptian coastal guns fired on Israeli fishing boats off Gaza yesterday but did not hit them.

The spokesman said that an Israeli Police launch, which had gone to the rescue, found two Arab fishing boats inside Israeli territorial waters.
One of the fishing boats was captured with four Arab fishermen while the second boat escaped, the spokesman stated.
"The Israeli fishing craft returned safely," he added.
Unofficial sources said that fire was exchanged between the Israeli Police launch and the Arab fishing boats.—Reuter.

POP



IBN SAUD ENTERTAINS ARTAJO

Lavish Ceremony For Spanish Minister

Cairo, Apr. 24.
The Spanish Foreign Minister, Don Alberto Martin Artajo, who arrived here from Saudi Arabia today, was entertained to a lavish dinner by King Ibn Saud at his palace at Riyadh in Central Arabia last night.

The 72-year-old King presented Senor Artajo with a priceless five-row necklace of Arabian pearls and two diamond bracelets for General Franco's daughter, the Marquesa Carmen de Villaverde.
The 24-year-old Marquesa and her husband, who have been accompanying Senor Artajo's goodwill mission on his tour of Arab countries in the Middle East, have been in Cairo for the past two days and did not go to Saudi Arabia.

King Ibn Saud also presented a necklace to Senor Artajo and each member of the Spanish mission received Arab swords and daggers inlaid with precious stones, and the traditional camel-hair gold braid head-dress and head gear.
The mission was received at Jiddah Airport on April 21 by Ibn Saud's eldest son, the Crown Prince Emir Saud, and by Palace dignitaries in flowing robes.

They were entertained to luncheon by the Emir Saud at the Flower Palace, his official residence.
The only Muslim member of the Spanish mission, General Mohamed Ben Nizlzan Ben Kassem, of the Spanish Moroccan Army, went by car from Riyadh to Mecca to perform the holy pilgrimage there, thus earning the religious title of Hadji.

General Ben Nizlzan told Reuter here today that he was happy to have fulfilled "the lifelong ambition to perform the sacred duty which Islam enjoins on all Muslims."—Reuter.

5,000 Miles In Day

Toronto, Apr. 24.
Pilot-Officer Allan Hamilton, of Hexham, Northumberland, training with the R.A.F. in Alberta, arrives home tomorrow after having flown 5,000 miles in 24 hours. His father is the Express Service.

Treasure Ship Located

WRECK OF EAST INDIAMAN

Johannesburg, Apr. 24.
The wreck of an East Indian treasure ship lost off the South African coast 170 years ago with jewels, gold and silver said to be worth £10,000,000 aboard, is believed to have been found 40 miles from the Durban side of Port St John's.

Yesterday Oliver Tom Devonshire, working from the ex-fishing boat Steenbok, located on the sea bed eight cannons and a number of box-shaped objects 4 inches by 4 inches by 24 inches.

Devonshire is working for Dr Nico Bartman, chairman of the Grosvenor Treasure Company Ltd., which was formed to recover the lost treasure.
It was on August 4, 1782, that the British armed East Indianman Grosvenor homeward bound from India foundered off the Pondoland coast.

In addition to the jewels and gold she is said to have had aboard jewel-encrusted golden peacocks stolen from the throne of the Mogul emperor.

NEXT MOVE
There have been five previous attempts to recover the Grosvenor's treasure—in 1787, 1842, 1902, 1917 and 1940. All failed to locate the ship.

Bartman said today he is sure Devonshire has found the wreck, and he added it is now clear that all previous searches were in the wrong place.

The next move is to recover one of the oblong objects, which is difficult because they have become cemented in rock by sea action.

Bartman quoted technical adviser Commander L. Keeble of Cape Town as saying he was satisfied the new find had definitely indicated the Grosvenor wreck. The police have told Bartman he must hand over anything recovered to them for examination.—London Express Service.

Reported Conspiracy In Paraguay

Buenos Aires, Apr. 24.
The Paraguayan Embassy here said today it had no information about the reported discovery of a plot against the Paraguayan Government and numerous arrests in Paraguay, including a number of high army officials.

The present right-wing regime in Paraguay came into power in January 1949 after a four-hour bloodless revolution. General Raimondo Bolen was elected Provisional President on Jan. 31, the day after the revolt, in which the army seized power.

But after four weeks this Government was ejected in another coup led by Felipe Melis Lopez, former Minister of Education.

Later in the year, Dr Lopez's group, the Colorado Party, withdrew its support from him and proposed Dr. Federico Chavez for the Presidency.
He was sworn in as President on August 15, 1950, and has remained President since.—Reuter.

Mercy Flight To Mother

Newcastle, Apr. 24.
The United States Navy today gave Carl McDilda, 20, serving in Japanese waters, "humanitarian leave" to come to Byker, Newcastle, where his widowed mother, Mrs. Ada McDilda, who is blind, is now living.
McDilda arrived today for a two-day stay after crossing the Pacific by air, the United States by train and the Atlantic in a troopship.

Mrs. McDilda has been told there is no hope of her sight being saved, and is now registered as a blind person, though she can still see a little.
McDilda is joining the troopship again at Dover on Saturday, but has long leave due to him next month and will see his mother again.—Reuter.

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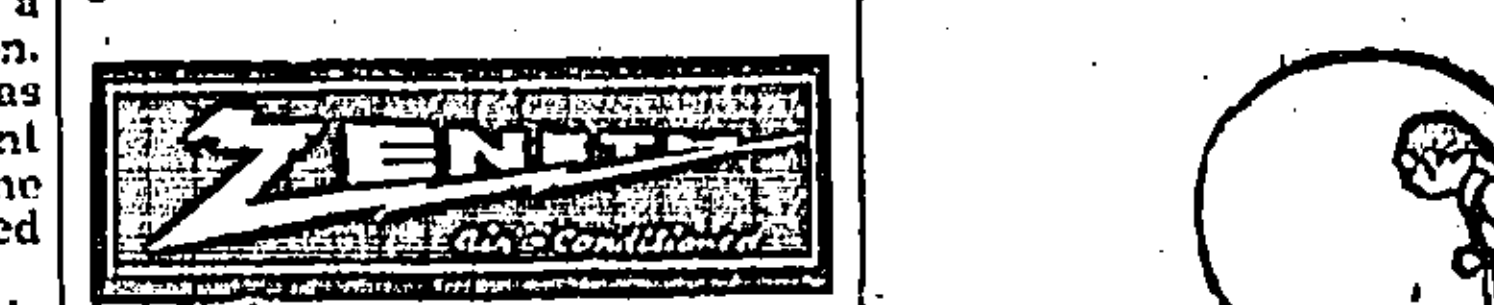


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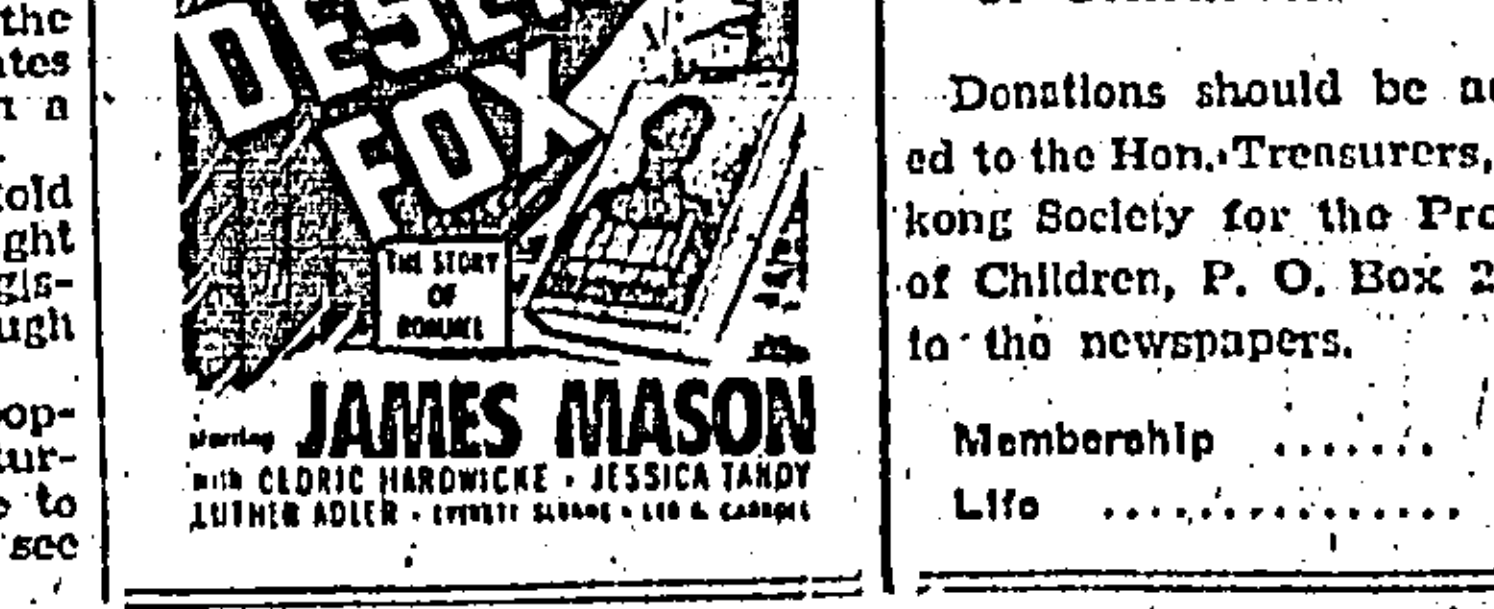
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Miss Jane Russell A Nice Woman

COMMENTS BY
MAGISTRATE

London, Apr. 24. A London magistrate, commenting that the buxom film star, Jane Russell, "must be a very, very nice woman," refrained today from punishing parents who let Miss Russell have their baby son.

Sir Laurence Dugue, Chief Magistrate, was told that the film star is adopting the boy, 20-month-old Tommy Kavanagh. She took him back to Hollywood with her last November after a visit to England. The Court's action appeared to clear the way for adoption.

The parents, Mr and Mrs Michael Kavanagh, pleaded guilty to a charge of "unlawfully permitting the care and possession of an infant to be transferred."

They were discharged conditionally for 12 months, which means the case can be renewed in the next year if the Court learns the child is not being properly cared for.

"I have had the opportunity of seeing some of the letters written by Miss Russell to the child's parents," Sir Laurence remarked. "They are an indication on Miss Russell, then she must be a very, very nice woman."

The case was widely publicized, he said, and prosecution was necessary to make plain to all Britons that it is against the law to give custody of a British child to an alien abroad.

NO ALLEGATION
"I am bound to say that if this law is broken again by anyone else, I think it extremely unlikely that the law will take the same view. I have taken today," he added.

The parents previously explained that Miss Russell fell in love with the baby at first sight and they let her have him because they felt small London flat was so crowded. The Kavanaghs have two other children.

The prosecutor, Mr. Chris Humphreys, told the Court: "There is no allegation of any moral turpitude against anyone. Miss Russell for adopting the child, or who is in process of adopting it, or other of the defendants."

Miss Russell is married to Bob Waterfield, a professional football player. They already have an adopted daughter, Tracy, nine months old.—Associated Press.

British Legion Request

London, Apr. 24. The Pensions Minister, Mr. D. Heathcoat-Amory, today received a British Legion deputation which stated the Legion's case for a further increase in the basic rate of war pensions.

The deputation was headed by the Legion's chairman, Major-General Sir Richard Howard-Vyse.—Reuter.

Dumbo Finds It Dry Work



Dumbo, the baby elephant, has graduated from the Children's Zoo at Regent's Park, London, and made his debut at Easter carrying kiddies. He seemed to enjoy his new job and made a great hit. Here Dumbo pauses for refreshment supplied by one of his first passengers.

Accused "Mute Of Malice"

London, Apr. 24. A London court decided today in the terminology of ancient law that 26-year-old Antoni Thies was "mute of malice and not by the visitation of God."

The prison authorities had called in a psychiatrist to examine Antoni, an unemployed Pole who had not been heard to speak since he was detained a month ago for stealing from a laundry.

The doctor told the court that there was nothing wrong and Antoni was sent back to prison to await trial later.—Reuter.

Europe's Steel Producers Told To Look For Other Markets

Geneva, Apr. 24. A warning to European steel producers not to rely on continued demand from North American markets but to develop markets elsewhere, is contained in a survey issued here today by the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe.

The heavy European steel exports to the United States and Canada, 1,450,000 tons in 1950 and 1,500,000 tons during the first six months of 1951, will not be repeated this year as the production capacity is increasing rapidly in both countries, the survey says.

"The substantial increase in imports by the United States was due mainly to reduced production caused by strikes and the demand for steel for rearmament programme."

"The United States is now in the process of developing its production capacity in order to cope simultaneously with the demand of both civilian and rearmament requirements. Once that programme has been completed, even a relatively small drop in internal demand will leave a considerable capacity which could be utilised for exports."

Particularly noteworthy from the European point of view is the development of plant capacity on the east coast. This development will result in narrowing the prospects of European exports to the consumer industries in that part of the United States and in improving the position of American exports to world markets.

"These new plants will benefit from special taxation treatment designed to stimulate defence production generally." At least 25,000,000 tons of Europe's estimated 1953 steel production of 78,200,000 tons should be available for export, the survey indicated.

But European steel exporters must reduce their prices and begin to concentrate on expanding markets in under-developed countries.

PRICE QUESTION
"Many plans for steel production in these countries were conceived during the war and the immediate post-war period of acute steel shortage," the survey said.

"The under-developed countries feel that even if the cost of production at their local steel plants may be high it could scarcely be higher than present prices for imported steel."

Should European steel producers adapt production and prices to present necessities Europe might be able to obtain 80 per cent of the world market, the survey added.

But this would only be possible if European steel was competitive in quality and price with its two principal rivals—the United States and Japan.

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TV To Span Atlantic

Manchester, Apr. 24. Britain will be in television communication with the United States very soon, said Lord Brabazon of Tara, opening the Northern Radio Show in Manchester today.

Forecasting the time when Wall Street would stop while New Yorkers watched Lancashire play Yorkshire at cricket, Lord Brabazon pointed out that Britain had been prominent in the development of television.—Reuter.

VIETMINH REGIMENT WIPED OUT

Hanoi, Apr. 24. The French today said that they had annihilated the 98th Vietminh rebel Regiment in a series of operations which began on April 14.

General Gonzales de Linarès, Commander-in-Chief, Ground Forces, North Vietnam, said today that the operations took place 18 to 24 miles north-east of Hanoi and resulted in 2,338 Vietminh casualties.

The 98th Regiment belonged to the crack 310th Division which infiltrated the Tonkin delta.

The Vietminh casualties, General De Linarès said, worked out as follows: Nine hundred regular troops killed; 300 regional troops killed; 988 prisoners and 150 wounded.

He added that the only regular Vietminh forces left in the delta were five battalions of Division 320 in the south.

He now hoped that it would be possible to clear the delta of Vietminh regulars before the rainy season and rice harvest at the end of May.—Reuter.

VITAL ROLE
"There are some measures which need to be immediately and continuously pursued even in the present period of high demand."

They are those which have as their aim the reduction of production costs and prices.

"These measures can be an effective buttress against inflation under current conditions, and at the same time improve the efficiency of the industry for the difficult times ahead."

"And today, as much as for the future, international co-operation has its vital role to play in eliminating duplication and waste and striving for the most effective use of resources."—Reuter.

Armoured Cars For Malaya
Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 24. Fleets of armoured protected vehicles for the Federation police are now arriving regularly from the United Kingdom.

Forty armoured-plated weapon-carriers recently arrived here and were sent to outlying areas for duty in the fight against terrorism.

Another shipment is expected shortly.

It is understood the Federation Government has placed orders for 850 armoured vehicles, and the Colonial Office is trying to speed up delivery.—Reuter.

A MAJOR HURDLE PASSED

Boy Of Tunisia Signs Decrees

Tunis, Apr. 24. The Boy of Tunisia today received the members of the Baccouche Cabinet in an atmosphere described as much more cordial than that of a week ago.

The Boy today signed a number of important decrees he did not ratify last week.

A French Residency spokesman said the Tunisian Administration could now function smoothly.

Among powers approved by the Boy were decrees permitting the Minister of Commerce, Ben Rais, to start a profit limiting and price lowering campaign similar to that undertaken in France by Premier Antoine Pinay.

The Commerce Minister, it was announced, would first take energetic steps to bring down retail food prices in the protectorate.

The Boy later received the French Resident, Count Jean de Hauteclocque, who gave the Boy a report of his visit to Paris where he discussed the Tunisian situation with the French Government.

VERY CORDIAL
The Boy, the Residency spokesman said, had shown extreme cordiality to M. de Hauteclocque. The Boy also received French members of the Council of Government.

The Baccouche Government passed a major hurdle with today's signing of important decrees by the Boy, observers said tonight.

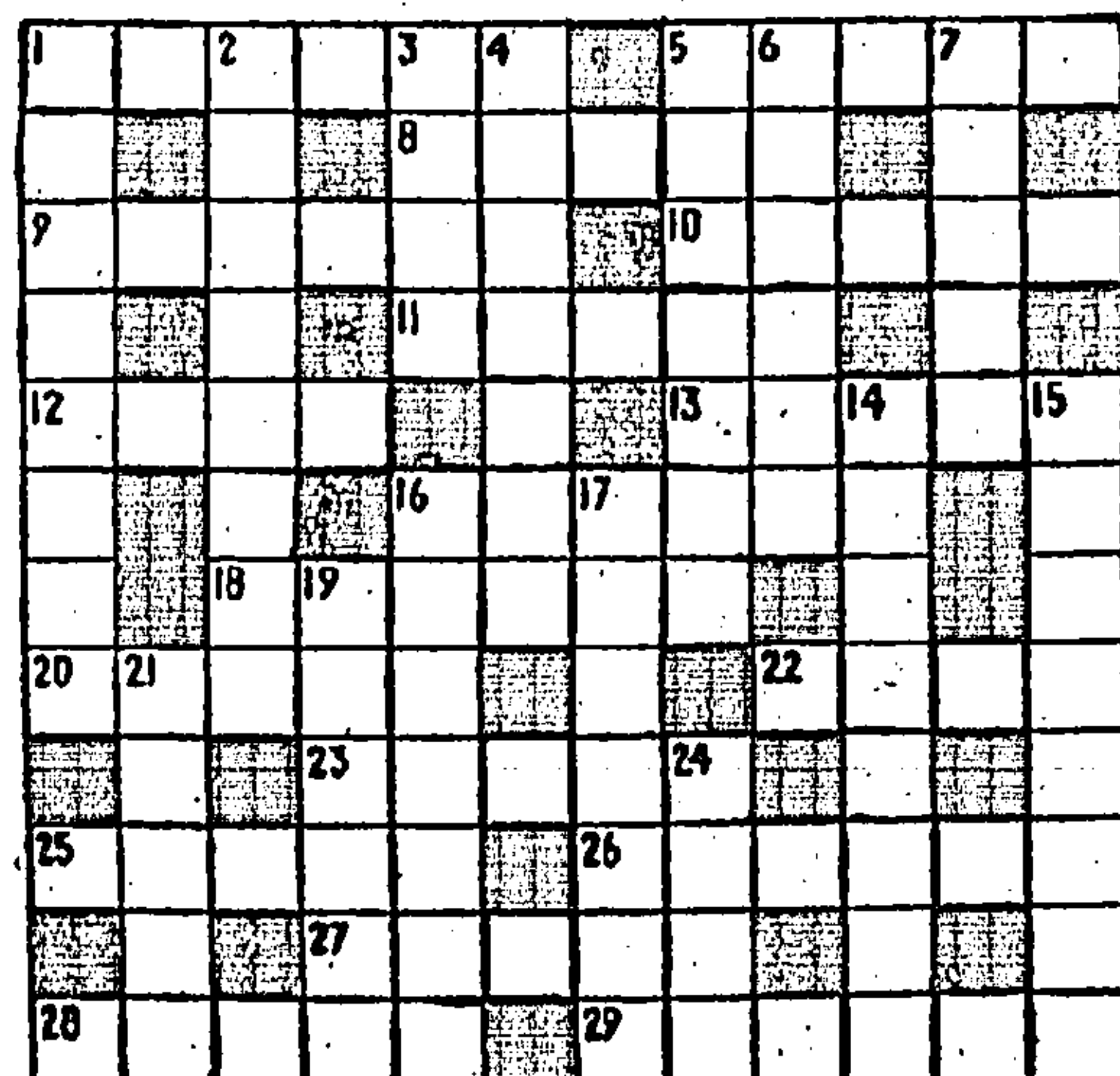
M. Baccouche's next difficulty is to have functioning the joint Franco-Tunisian Commission which is to examine the French reform plan before the Muslim feast of Ramadan begins on May 20.

The Commission was to have met for the first time today but difficulties in choosing members caused a postponement.

During last night a small bomb exploded in the basement of the Ministry of Agriculture but injured no one and caused only slight damage.—Reuter.

Cruiser Back Home
London, Apr. 24. The cruiser HMS Liverpool arrived at Portsmouth today after four years' service in the Mediterranean. She served as the flagship of the Commander-in-Chief while in the Mediterranean.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Artist's work-room (6).
 - Likeness (5).
 - Theatrical entertainment (5).
 - Way of working (6).
 - Home (5).
 - Horizontal (5).
 - Fruit (4).
 - Concise (5).
 - Appoint as substitute (6).
 - Occupations (8).
 - Inexperience (5).
 - Large book (4).
 - Spy (6).
 - Over-weight (5).
 - Dodged (6).
 - Made a speech (5).
 - Defence (5).
 - Trapped (6).
- DOWN**
- Trying (3).
 - Final (6).
 - Object of worship (4).
 - Commanded (7).
 - Driving force (7).
 - Wooden hammer (6).
 - Profits (5).
 - Magistrate (6).
 - Stretched (8).
 - Perils (7).
 - Small shot (7).
 - Motive (6).
 - Kick over the traces (5).
 - Smooth (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across:—1 Poplar, 5 Swamp, 8 Vent, 9 Fooled, 11 Agree, 12 Direct, 14 Firm, 16 Tress, 18 Unite, 20 Dead, 22 Repeat, 24 Ralse, 25 Palace, 26 Sues, 27 Mends, 28 Repeat. Down:—1 Puff, 2 Plon, 3 Avar, 4 Redeem, 5 Statute, 6 Abraded, 7 Promise, 10 Limit, 13 Humdrum, 14 Plodder, 15 Reprise, 17 Regal, 19 Repeat, 21 Base, 22 Lava, 23 Pail.

Controversy In U.S. Over Use Of New Weapons

(From R. M. MacColl)

Washington, Apr. 24.

A topmost level struggle in the Pentagon, America's huge "city within a city" housing her defence chiefs and their staffs, has broken out over the use to which the new "miracle weapons" should be put in the Korean war, if it breaks out afresh.

President Truman's declaration that he means to step down has brought it to a head.

While Mr. Truman remained in the White House, both of these warring factions agreed to "mark time."

But in the wake of his announced departure, this controversy of first-class importance not only to America but to the entire Western world has flared up.

The United States is now far along in the development of such weapons as guided missiles, atomic shells for artillery, and other new arms of warfare.

One school in the Pentagon is urging that the Korean front should be used as a testing ground for trying out these new weapons, just as the Spanish Civil War was used by the Russians on the one side and the Italians and the Germans on the other, for experimenting with new planes, high-angle guns, anti-tank artillery and other weapons.

But the opponents of this group contend that it would be rash for America to "show her hand" at this point.

RIVAL ARGUMENTS
The new weapons, they say, should be held in reserve, as an unknown factor, which might make Russia pause if she thinks of launching a world war this year.

Trans-Pacific Record
Tokyo, Apr. 24. A Japanese Beauty Queen today christened as the "City of Tokyo" a Stratocruiser passenger plane which, Northwest Airlines officials said, cut five hours and ten minutes off the company's trans-Pacific schedule flight time.

Yoshiko Tamura, Miss Tokyo for 1951, named the plane which, the company said, was the forerunner of a regular service over the Great Circle route from Seattle to Tokyo in 17 hours and 25 minutes.

Aboard the plane with journalists and company officials were two porcupines, gift from Seattle to Tokyo's Ueno Park Zoo.—Reuter.

Supreme Allied HQ., Apr. 24. General Eisenhower was back at his desk here today after his five-day illness.

Completely recovered from a throat infection, he gave a luncheon party for Marshal of the British Air Force, Lord Tedder, who is here on a visit.

The guests included Field-Marshal Montgomery, the NATO Secretary-General, Lord Ismay, and Allied commanders in Central Europe.

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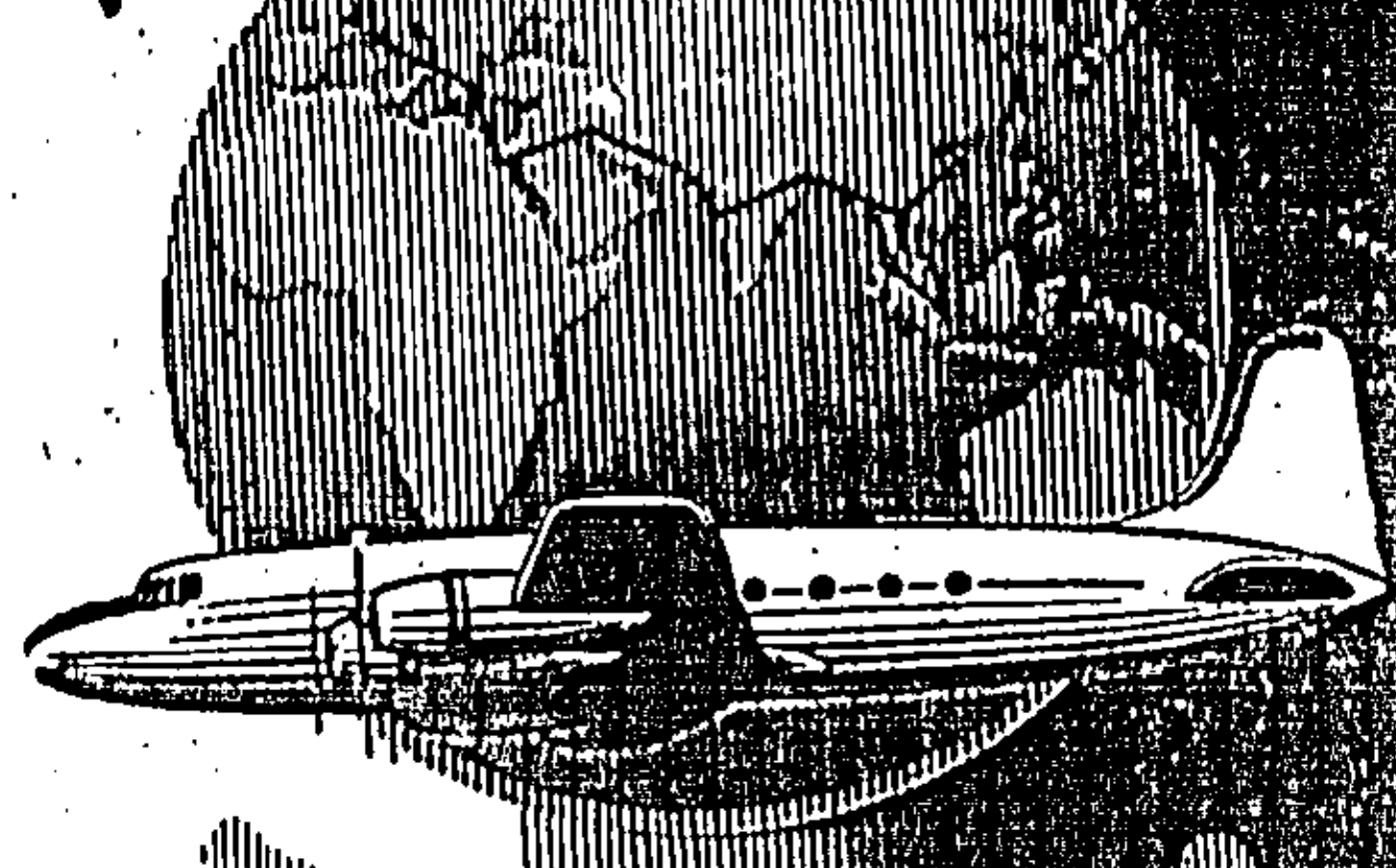
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Henry Buys A Car To Drive To The White House

By RODNEY CAMPBELL

New York.
WHEN Henry Krajewski became Poor Man's candidate for the U.S. Presidency, he painted his streamlined roadster red, white and blue, with silver stars and yellow daisies. Then he offered to fight a charity bout with Two-Ton Tony Galento.

In the first address of his election campaign, he told a press conference at his home town of Secaucus, New Jersey: "I can beat that guy Galento's ears off."

The challenge was phoned to Galento on the spot. "Never hold a bum," was the answer.

So Henry went home to the tavern he runs on Secaucus Road. Mrs. Krajewski was outside on the doorstep.

"I got a house to run and five kids, and a husband to take care of and I don't want to be no First Lady," she yelled at him, as he stepped down from his sensational car. "And I'm not going to ride in that thing, either."

Born to diplomacy, Henry worked out a compromise—in the form of a new station wagon. Then Mrs. Krajewski said it was all right for him to run for President, and soon she was telling the local reporters "No comment" as if she had been swatting up the memoirs of President Truman.

In every presidential election year, America introduces her crazy candidates to an amazed world. There is always a Prohibition candidate, usually a God's Will candidate, sometimes an Alcohol-plus-Combining candidate, and a load of publicity. Henry is the first in the field this year. He is also the first man to run on the Poor Man's ticket, as such, in history. He is also the first candidate who has opened his campaign for the poor man by buying himself a new car.

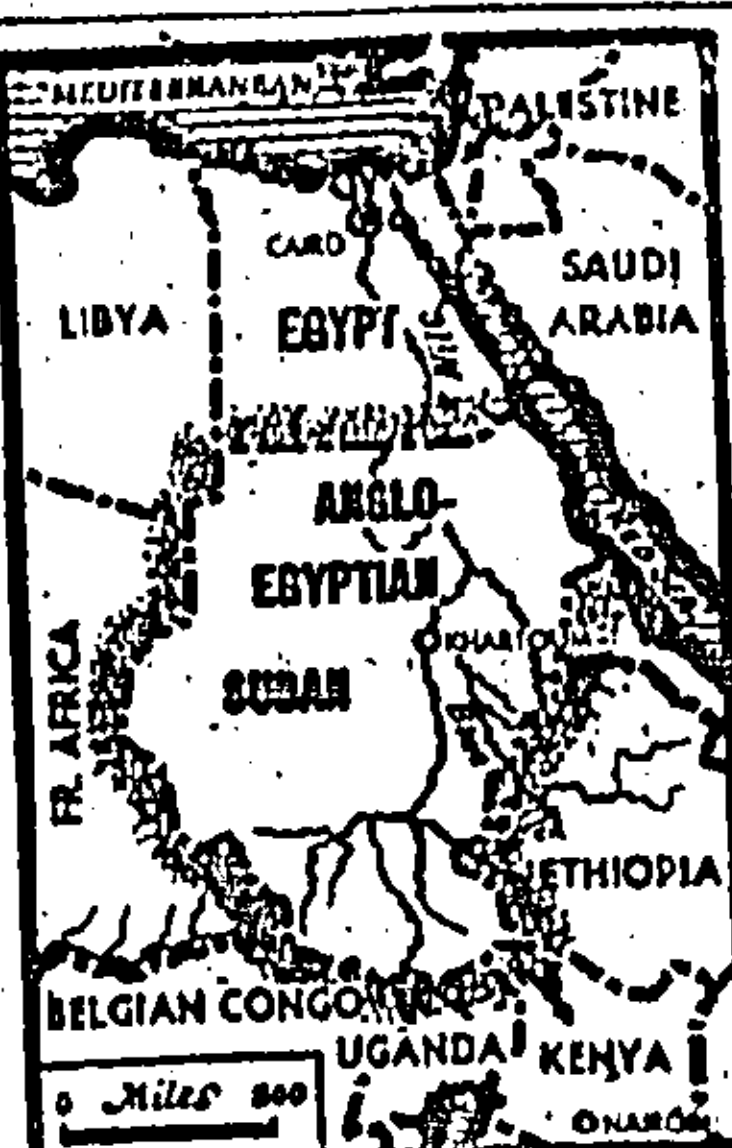
Soon there were scores of cronies knocking at Henry's door asking if they could be Vice-President.

"I got all these guys together," said Henry the next day, "and questioned them on their views. Only one of them sounded O.K.—until he said he wanted a two-day work week. He was too radical. So I finally picked another guy who wants to give a bottle of milk a day to every kid in this country—and not to any of those foreigners."

The influence of this new potential Veep, Frank Jenkins by name, apparently lay behind the first foreign policy statement of the Krajewski ticket, which was published with the solemnity of a White Paper.

"We will, if elected, help support the unfortunate who cannot help themselves instead of wasting food on people who do not deserve it in foreign countries that in due time stab us in the back; and use the money for social security for retirement of anyone at the age of 55."

Henry is a big, beaming, likable candidate, popular in his district, particularly with the children. America will forget him when the election is all over and gone, but without him and the other "crazy candidates" American elections wouldn't be half as much fun.



Pot Luck With The Caïd

By Sir GERALD BARRY

THIS is simply the story of a Moroccan Caïd, or regional chieftain. Imagine yourself back in the world of the Arabian Nights.

The trouble with Morocco, indeed, is that it is so like the fairy tales and the travelogues, and that this sense of cheap unreality takes some days to wear off. Snake charmers and soothsayers really do perform in the market places; storks do indeed stand sentinel on city walls; camels do trundle on and off the stage just as in Hassan, and the sun really does set in the desert in a dazle of pink and orange.

After some days the sense of unreality begins to be replaced by a deep respect for the landscape and its people. And if you are so fortunate as to go to dine with a Caïd—well, the last illusions vanish. The thing is real all right; at any date, almost, between the tenth and twentieth centuries—although the sense of wonder may never wholly leave you.

For instance, we arrived in the sleekest of motor-cars after a 50-kilometre drive through the dark to come suddenly upon a village street lined from end to end, two to three deep, with white-robed Arabs' protruding street-lighting by a swaying acetylene torches head-high. The French general in command of the area was the guest of the night and the Caïd had summoned his followers from far and near to do him honour.

White avenue

They came, and were not content merely to watch or to hold aloft their hissing flares. They sang, they beat drums, they conducted choruses, they shouted and cried aloud.

As we stood in the chilly roadway waiting for the general's party to assemble, we had a glimpse of another white avenue, this time close-robed, yashmak'd women beaming brightly coloured standards, leading down to a pink and green courtyard with a glimpse of orange and banana trees.

We will pass directly into the banquetting chamber and sit on divans or stools just raised above the level of the floor. On this account the ceiling, being the part of the room most often regarded, is the most exquisitely decorated.

There are perhaps 40 of us, quaffing in parties of six round low tables and suddenly all of us are transfixed by a gleam, staring at that exquisitely involved ceiling.

Nine courses

If you ever thought so, you would never again make the mistake of supposing that because the Arabs may live simply, they are a simple people. Only a mind capable of the nicest complexities could have conceived that design.

On the threshold of the banquetting chamber—a long, high room stretching the whole length of one side of a court-

A land where the unexpected always happens

by DON TAYLOR

THE country of "The Odd Things That Happen" has become the world's front-page country.

That country is the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan. It is a key to the Middle East situation. For there will be no settlement of the Sudan problem, no agreement with Egypt—until the Sudan question is settled.

THE PRIZE

FAROUK calls himself the "King of the Sudan." But the real "uncrowned king" of the Sudan is Governor-General Sir Robert George Howe, the brilliant working-man's son who won his way from elementary school to Cambridge and on to the Foreign Office.

He was brought up in a terrace house—now his address is "The Palace, Khartoum."

Extraordinary people always seem to be turning up in the Sudan.

Four officers of the Ethiopian Air Force arrived there recently. It is odd, but they were all Scandinavians.

And, of all things, they had come to look into the

business possibilities of crocodile shooting.

Even the animals of the Sudan are news.

In front of me, as I write, is the story of a hippo which whiled away a spare hour by chasing the inhabitants of a village round the streets.

A leopard (was he in league with the local headman?) kept a team of Government audit officials besieged in a house for the best part of a day.

And a native reports that he chased a man-eating lion down the road until it was out of sight.

The official comment on this says: "His story is being treated with some reservation."

'OO HOT, TOO COLD

THE climate, too, can always be relied on to keep up the country's reputation.

Recently a car broke down in the desert, and the passengers nearly perished from heat and thirst.

Yet, shortly after, on the Wadi Barei, camels became immobilised in a

knelling position—stiff with the night cold. They had to be aided to their feet.

And on Jebel Marra, at Jawn, an old woman was found frozen stiff beside an ice-bound waterhole!

She was only thawed out by fires being lit round her.

The Sudan is the land where schoolboy strikes have become a national pastime.

Strike leaders are expelled, schools are closed—but the strikes go on.

The workers have nothing to learn from the West. Labourers recently turned up with a huge snake they found in a drain. On the strength of this "occupational hazard" they demanded a rise in pay.

Yet, in the midst of this ferment of Westernisation, large tracts of the sprawling Sudan are like the Empire of Kipling's day.

BLOODSHED

BORDER incidents—with tribesmen from the Congo, Ethiopia, or Uganda—occur regularly.

Spears are blooded, captives are dragged off, ancient insults are avenged, cattle are driven away.

The country has just had its record year of prosperity.

The great Gezira cotton scheme has been an example of what can be done by co-operation between Government, peasant, and private enterprise.

Britain's record here is good.

Right now, the Legislative Assembly of Sudan are debating the self-government constitution we have laid before them.

It was annoying to Farouk for Egypt's idea was to make the Sudan her virtual colony.

But, instead, the Sudan will decide her own future—whether she links up at all with Egypt, goes her own way, or links with Britain and the Empire.

When I was in the Sudan recently I asked an old soldier what he thought of Egypt's ambition to take over the country.

"Take over us?" he said. "When you British go well incorporate Egypt in the Sudan."

American Column, by R. M. MacColl

Tough Questions For The General

If you want to know what the toughly unsentimental American is thinking about the respective merits of Taft and Eisenhower as potential Presidents, I cannot do better than quote you the editorial from the toughly unsentimental New York Daily News.

It says: "The strongest language in Eisenhower's North Atlantic Treaty report is used to express a warning that the U.S. cannot and will not bear indefinitely the main money and material burdens of West European defence—that in the long run we can help only those who help themselves."

"We don't know, though, whether a President Eisenhower would be as blunt and hard-boiled in backing up these sentiments as we are virtually certain a President Taft would be."

"That is possibly the most important question on which Eisenhower will have to make his intentions clear before any patriotic American can conscientiously vote for him."

RUDOLPH HALLEY, municipal president of New York City, says the reason why racetracks are stronger today than at any time since prohibition days is because they are helped by "decent people" who are too apathetic to besmirch themselves.

DEPARTMENT of carping criticism, I must say, for the capital of the world's most opulent country, Washington puts on a pretty dim welcome for Very Important People.

Highlight of the decorations for the arrival of Queen Juliana were the two fire brigade cars which always do duty on such occasions, their ladders extended and joined to form a "triumphal arch."

MISS HELEN GAHAGAN (Mrs. Melvyn Douglas) used to be an actress. Then she got elected to Congress as a Representative from California, and spent three glamorous years in Washington.

Defeated for re-election two years ago, she has been on the coast since—but now she is coming back to Washington. She is going to play the wife of a

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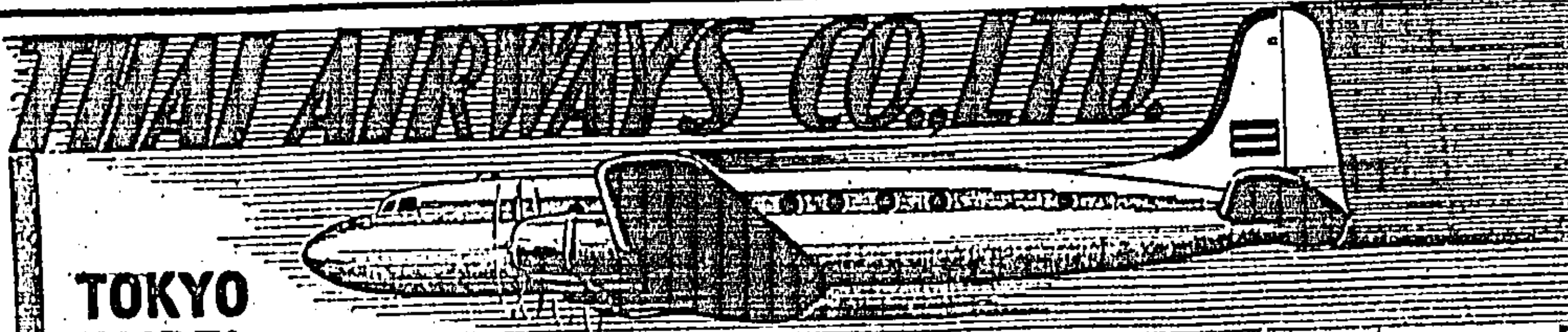


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JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Larceny Lou Forces Rivals Into Mistakes

NORTH		EAST	
♠ J 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2	♠ A K Q 5	♠ Q 8 6 3	♠ 10 8
♥ A 7 5 4	♥ J 9 7 3	♥ 10 8 5 2	♥ A 3 2
♦ K 4	♦ J 9 7	♦ K 10 8 6 4	♦ A 3 2
♣ A 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2	♣ K 10 8 6 4	♣ A 3 2	♣ K 10 8 6 4

South-West-North-East
1st Pass 1st Pass
2nd Pass 2nd Pass
3rd Pass 3rd Pass
4th Pass 4th Pass

Opening lead—♠ 4

By OSWALD JACOBY

SOME of Larceny Lou's stunts are very simple. He just makes it easy for the opponents to go wrong.

For example, when West opened the four of spades in the hand shown today, Lou just put up dummy's jack. This was a silly play, theoretically speaking, for dummy's jack was no better than the ten in Lou's own hand.

As a practical matter, however, the play of the jack of spades from dummy induced East to play his queen. Now Lou had two spade tricks instead of only one.

After winning the first trick with the king of spades, South led a club to dummy's queen. East won with the ace and returned a spade. The defenders could take two spades and two clubs, but by that time Lou had three clubs, three hearts, two spades, and a diamond.

If East had played a low spade instead of the queen at the first trick, Lou would have been set. East wins the first round of clubs, later, and returns a low spade.

This enables West to capture the king of spades with the ace. West continues spades, and East wins with the queen. This gives Lou's defenders three spade tricks and enables them to defeat the contract.

If Lou had played a low spade from dummy at the first trick, East might have been inspired to play the right instead of the queen. Since Lou does not enjoy leaving such things to chance, he played the jack of spades from the dummy to make sure that East made the all-important mistake.

Q—The bidding has been: South—West—North—East
1 Heart—Pass—1 Spade—2 Clubs
You, South, hold: Spades Q-7-5-2, Hearts A-K-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2, Clubs A-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2, Diamonds A-Q-J-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2. What do you do?

A—Bid three spades. This should be reasonably safe. Even if your partner has some such minimum holding as five spades to a king, jack and nothing else, it is a jump raise which will spur him on to play, and there will be a good game for that.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades Q-7-5-2, Hearts A-K-Q-4-2, Diamonds A-Q-J, Clubs A-K-Q-4-2. What do you do?

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AMATEUR CUP FINAL TOMORROW

Behind The Success Of
Leyton Lies A Story Of A
Grim Fight For Survival

A club which last season nearly went out of football will be appearing in the Amateur Cup Final at Wembley tomorrow afternoon. Behind the success of Athenian League club Leyton, who meet Walthamstow Avenue, lies a story of a grim fight for survival.

Last season, following complaints from other clubs, the Athenian League ruled that the Leyton ground, the Hare and Hounds, should not be used for matches played under their jurisdiction.

As a result Leyton were forced to play all their League games away from home and not uneventfully finished the season bottom of the table.

But who was even more important, the club was deprived of home gate money for, apart from Cup ties, they did not once appear before their own supporters.

There was talk during the close-season of disbanding. But negotiations with the landlords resulted in improvements to the ground which met with League approval and Leyton decided to carry on.

NEVER REGRETTED

The decision has never been regretted. Although forced to play through the preliminary rounds of both the FA and the Amateur Cup, Leyton have had a magnificent season.

They reached the second round proper of the professional competition before going out to Chester. And they have battled their way through 13 other ties, including one abandoned game, for the right to meet Walthamstow.

With all these cup commitments their League fixtures became congested and they have been faced during the last two weeks with the job of clearing off games at the rate of three and four a week.

To keep their Cup stars fit they have accepted offers of players from clubs in other leagues to play for them in their Athenian matches. This is a permissible provision in the rules. The players have not signed Athenian League forms for any other clubs this season.

Last week for instance when they had two games in one day they turned out one side consisting of four reserves and seven other players from Grays, Woodford and Leytonstone.

The Leyton line-up at Wembley will probably be the same as that which has taken them through the competition so far. This is: Sullivan; Dixon, Pullinger, Gardner, Yonson, Casey, Fitch, Facey, McIntee, Goddard and Skipp.

Casey, who is in the Army and stationed in North Wales, has received special War Office permission to allow him to play in the Wembley final. He was also being given time off by his commanding officer to put in two hours football training every day.

If Leyton win the Cup it will be their third success. They won in 1926 and 1927 and were finalists again the following year. But if they are successful this time it will be only a case of record of a club only once on record of a club.

having won through from the preliminary rounds.

THE OPPOSITION

Danger man in the Walthamstow team is England amateur international centre-forward Jim Lewis. He is the son of the famous Jim Lewis who gained 13 England caps, including one with a full England team during the 1937 tour of Australia, and altogether was every honour in the game except an Amateur Cup medal.

Young Jim, who is assistant purchasing manager of a manufacturing company, has set up a new club record this season by scoring 65 Cup and League goals. Like his father he started his career as an outside-right. But since his conversion to centre-forward, midway through last season, he has shown to best advantage.

There are two other internationals in the Walthamstow side. One is left-half and captain Derek Saunders, and the other is left-back Len Stratton. All three are in training for Great Britain's Olympic soccer team.

Another Avenue star, and the youngest player ever to appear in a Wembley Cup Final, is 16-year-old outside-right Don Rossiter. He is an Arsenal books-as-an-amateur, and when he becomes 17, in June, he will sign for them as a professional.

Avenue's team in this, their first Amateur Final, will probably be: Gerula; Young, Stratton; Lucas, Brahan, Saunders; Rossiter, Bailey, Lewis, Horsley, Camis.

Horsley has been having treatment for a knee injury and if he is unfit will be replaced by a young Army footballer, Dennis Hall.

(London Express Service)

Walk Costs NY
Yankees A Game

Relief pitcher Bob Kuzava walked Billy Goodman with the bases loaded and forced in Sammy White with the 11th inning winning run to enable the Boston Red Sox to sweep a two-game series from the New York Yankees in the American League today with a 3-2 victory.

SCORES: R H E
New York 2 12 1
Boston 3 8 1
(11 innings)

Winning pitcher Ivan Delock, loser Bob Kuzava.—Associated Press.

Army's Major Units Cricket Champions



The team which represented the 25th Field Regiment Royal Artillery during the past season and carried off the military Major Units Championship. In a challenge match against 33 General Hospital last week, however, they were defeated. The 33 Hospital side won the Minor Units title. (Ross Miller).

A Taste Of U.K.
Weather

London, Apr. 24. The Indian cricketers practised today at Lords under conditions which were strange for most of them, and thus no real estimation of their abilities or prospects could be made. Not only was the practice ground soft as a result of overnight rain, but the ball came through at different heights and paces. A cool wind also prevented the Indians stiving of their best and all 17 were heavily sweated.—Reuter.

Sedgman
Makes Up
For Lost Time

London, Apr. 24. After a dash by car, plane and car from Switzerland, Frank Sedgman, 24-year-old Australian and world No. 1 lawn tennis player, played his first round singles match in the hard courts tournament at Sutton (Surrey) today 24 hours late.

A few minutes after arriving he went on the court and beat the England international George Godsell in three quarters of an hour by 6-4, 6-3.

Staying on the court he defeated the Devon player Jeffrey Micholme 6-2, 6-0 in the second round, taking only 25 minutes, and was then in the semi-finals.

Sedgman, favourite for the Wimbledon title, was accompanied by his 21-year-old bride, Jean. They have covered 15,000 miles on their honeymoon trip since January.—Reuter.

Helsinki Lift For Bailey



Weight-lifting is part of the normal training of the West Indian sprinter, E. McDonald Bailey, shown above making light work of a 97-lb dumb-bell. Watching him is Oscar State, chief weight-lifting coach of the Amateur Athletic Association. (Reuterphoto).

By Order,
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Secretary.

E. R. WASON REVIEWS

Book On Golf
That Will Be
A Classic

No game, not even cricket, has been so fortunate in its writers as golf, and when such men as Darwin, Longhurst, Crawley and Cotton combine with others to write its history you may be sure of getting a very special book.

"A History of Golf in Britain," is, in fact, a magnificent book, which does full justice to a noble game.

From the days when, as Locke playing the last three quite a small boy, I used to know he had to finish 3 4 4 to the with Bradshaw and dropped a shot at the short sixteenth.

"How he pulled himself together at the seventeenth, will always remain a miracle. A perfect drive was followed by a perfect iron, which finished ten feet from the pin, and down went the putt, and the fatal stroke that was dropped ten minutes before was covered." He got his 4 at the eighteenth and the great golfer had broken through at last.

As I read this description of Locke's finish I thought of another finish: Leo Diegel needing to get down in two putts at St. Andrews in 1933. He put his first putt very close to the hole, and then he, Leo Diegel, missed the world's best putter, missed the tiny one back.

This comparison illustrates the difference between a champion and the men who were not quite champions like Mitchell and Macdonald Smith, of whom Longhurst says that when he died Prestwick must have been engraved upon his heart. It is a difference not of golfing ability but of mental make-up.

End Wilson writes the chapter on women's golf, and she records what must be the most extraordinary feat in a book of extraordinary feats: Babe Zaharias reaching the long hole at Gullane (540 yards) with a drive and a No. 1 iron. The fairways were soft, and there was no help from a hill, and her iron shot pitched over the putting surface. Could Snead have done any better?

To the student of the golf swing Colton's chapter, on styles and methods is fascinating. He tells how on the first visit to America he watched young Horton Smith using the same swing for every shot, and he realised then that with the becoming of steel shafts the golf game had changed. You needed one swing, that was all, and he set out to learn that one swing. But to the older generation, golf had lost its artistry and was never quite the same game again.

THE PICTURES TELL THE STORY. The first part of this book deals with the game before there were any great names—the history of the rules and the development of clubs and balls. The pictures must here tell the story.

The pictures in this book are wonderful, the best I have seen in any golf book. Among the coloured plates is one of golf being played on ice in Holland in 1608 by men in kilts—probably Scotsmen who took refuge in Holland during the Civil Wars; and another of a golfer depicted on the great east window of Gloucester Cathedral, proof that golf was played in England in the mid-fourteenth century.

All our favourite golfers are here too: Allan Robertson, first Open champion; looking more like a gamekeeper than a golfer. Young Tom with the championship belt round his waist; Vardon in the tailcoat; bunker suit that was so peculiarly his; the happy, serene face of Bobby Jones; the smiling face of Harry Vardon; the early in face of Jones; the smiling face of Bobby Jones; the smiling face of Bobby Jones; the smiling face of Bobby Jones.

Has anything been omitted from this great work? Well, I should have liked to see some mention made of the little band of Scottish professionals who crossed the Atlantic before and after the First World War and taught the Americans how to play the Scottish way—the swing Stewart Maiden taught Bobby Jones.

They have now forsaken this swing in favour of the shut-face method and have become what Darwin once described as "a bunch of forcing hammers," their long rows of victories in the 20s and 30s they owed entirely to the Scottish swing and their Scottish mentors.

Nevertheless, this book will be a golfing classic. It is a big fat book, beautifully printed, with a green cover. One day it will take pride of place among my 24 golf books. Why couldn't I have bought it that I do not expect to see it again until Christmas.

"A History of Golf in Britain. (Cassell: 42/6).

Agitator Hot
Favourite For Two
Thousand Guineas

London, Apr. 24. Mr John Dewar's Agitator retained his place as two to one favourite for the 2,000 Guineas at tonight's Victoria Club call-over here.

Lord Rosebery's Bob Major, who ran impressively though beaten at Epsom today, was offered at nine to two—two points less than his price at the previous call-over. The only other important change in the betting was the reduction of the odds against Chavey Down from 33 to one to 25 to one.

Mr R. W. Harple's colt dead-headed with Bob Major for second place behind Castleton in today's Epsom race.

The price on offer about Bob Major for the Derby was out from 20 to five to one to six. Only small business was done on the race, in which Agitator and Silnet retained their positions as joint favourites at 100 to seven but where Johned by Titanium, who is trained by Noel Murless and is the stable companion of Agitator.

Tonight's quotations were:

2,000 GUINEAS
2 to 1—Agitator.
3 to 1—Bob Major.
400 to 1—Thunderhead.
400 to 1—Argus.
20 to 1—King's Bench, Gay Time, Djebel, Hallout and Worden.
25 to 1—Chavey Down, Tul-yar, Khor Mousa and Orgoglio.
33 to 1—Avatar and Signification.
40 to 1—Caerlaverock.

THE DERBY
100 to 7—Silnet, Agitator and Titanium.
100 to 6—Bob Major and Khor Mousa.
20 to 1—Guernsey, Gay Time, Frequency and Argus.
25 to 1—Buckhound.
33 to 1—Kara Tepe, Nearque, Marsyas, Penitent and Shikar-poor.
40 to 1—Mr Cube.
50 to 1—Kara Burnu.
The next call-over on the 2,000 Guineas and the Derby will be on Monday.
On Tuesday there will be a call-over on the Guineas only.—Reuter.

The judge, without hesitation, called for a photo and then before was considerable delay he held that Gordon Richards, on Castleton, had just got home by a short head from the others who deadheaded for second place.

Tommy Carey, owner and trainer of the winner, said afterwards that he was delighted with the colt's running.—Reuter.

Faultless Riding
In Horse Show

Rome, Apr. 24. A. Perrone (Italy) riding Cirano B. won the exacting Cello Prize at the Rome International Horse Show today, covering the 18-obstacle course without fault in 1 min. 25.8 secs. Captain George Canaves (Argentina) rode Biancillo into second place in 1 min. 27 secs. and Lieutenant R. Dinzeo (Italy), on Buccara, was third in 1 min. 27.4 secs. Both had faultless rounds.—Reuter.

CHARLTON
LOSE AT HOME

London, Apr. 24. The following are the results of League football games played today:
Division I
Charlton A. 10 Aston Villa 1
Division III (Southern)
Newport C. 1 Crystal P. 0
Northampton T. 4 Leyton O. 0
Division III (Northern)
Shefforpe 1 Carlisle 1
—Reuter.

Castleton
Wins In
Photo Finish

Epsom, Apr. 24. T. H. Carey's Castleton won the Blue Riband Trial Stakes over one mile and 110 yards here today after a photo finish among three of the nine runners.

Bob Major and Chavey Down deadheaded for second place.

The betting was five to one on Castleton, five to two (favourite) on Bob Major and nine to two on Chavey Down.

The race provided one of the most exciting races of the season. Bob Major, second favourite for the 2,000 Guineas, led until he was passed by Castleton who was immediately followed by Chavey Down and this pair matched stride for stride with the issue apparent only between them. Fifty yards from home, however, Bob Major renewed his challenge and successfully that he got up with the others on the post.

The judge, without hesitation, called for a photo and then before was considerable delay he held that Gordon Richards, on Castleton, had just got home by a short head from the others who deadheaded for second place.

Tommy Carey, owner and trainer of the winner, said afterwards that he was delighted with the colt's running.—Reuter.

Morocco
Cycle Race
Struggle

Casablanca, Apr. 24. The Portuguese rider Barbisa won today's ninth stage of the Morocco road cycle race, beating 23 others over the testing 230 kilometres from Meknes.

Barbisa completed the stage in 6 hrs. 30 min. 28 secs., the same time as three other riders—Charroin (Morocco), Juan Massip (Spain) and Driss Ben Abd Estem (Morocco)—who trailed him by a few feet.

The leaders in the general classification were unchanged. Francois Achero (Italy) is now in first place with a total of 60 hrs. 2 mins. 31 secs.

The field, heavily depleted from the 73 riders who started the race 10 days ago, will rest here until Saturday.

The tenth stage of the 2,700-kilometre event will take them 241 kilometres to Marrakech.—Reuter.

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SHIPS	TO	DEPARTS
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Steel Firms Try Again

Washington, Apr. 24.

The big American steel companies again asked the courts today to deny President Truman the right to seize the steel industry.

The President took over the industry earlier this month to avert a nation-wide strike by workers over the employers' refusal to grant a wage increase recommended by the Wage Stabilization Board.

Today a lawyer for the United States Steel Corporation—the biggest in the country—accused the Government of trying to "foist" wage increases on the management.

He asked Federal Judge David A. Pine to issue a temporary injunction forbidding the Secretary of Commerce, Charles Sawyer, from doing anything to implement the President's seizure order.—Reuter.

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For the guidance of listeners we publish below a summary of the lesson. Summaries of subsequent lessons will be published in the China Mail every Tuesday and Friday for the duration of this radio feature.

Lesson 34 (M)

A Story (Refer to page 110.

Cantonese Simplified):

Vocabulary:

202. (1) Ming. Bright. Clear.

203. (2) Black. White.

Combinations:

27. (1) Ming (2) Black. To under-

stand. General Expressions:

28. (1) Ming (2) Black. To be

obedient. To obey.

A Story: (Continued)

110. (2) Ku (1) Black-bah (1) (3) Zee-

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BARTER
TREATY
EXTENDED

Manila, Apr. 24.
The operation of the Philippine-Japanese barter agreement has been extended to June 30, 1952, the Foreign Office said today.

The agreement was negotiated with SCAP and was to terminate on April 28 with the coming into force of the Japanese peace treaty which is still pending ratification by the Philippine Senate.

The Philippines proposed the extension and the Japanese Government agreed, according to advice received from the Philippine mission in Tokyo.

The Foreign Office said it was felt necessary to extend the agreement for two reasons: to ensure the orderly liquidation of accounts under the agreement and the need for additional time within which the Senate may be able to act on the peace treaty now pending before it.

The extension eases the anxiety expressed by local banks and businessmen during the past several days over the probable effects of the sudden termination of the agreement on trade and commerce with Japan.

The Foreign Office said that on April 15 the Philippines had an outstanding sale totalling \$4,000,000 in value to Japan and an outstanding purchase from Japan totalling a little more than \$5,000,000 in value.

COPRA QUOTATION

New York, Apr. 24.
Copra was quoted today at \$11.50 nominal per short ton. Coconut oil was quoted at 7 3/4 cents a pound, bid. —United Press.

Foreign
Exchanges
In NY

Country	New York, Apr. 24
Canada—official	US\$1.02 1/2
England—official	2.52 1/2
France—official	2.52 1/2
Germany—official	2.52 1/2
Italy—official	2.52 1/2
Japan—official	2.52 1/2
Spain—official	2.52 1/2
Sweden—official	2.52 1/2
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Indonesia—official	2.52 1/2
East Africa—official	2.52 1/2
West Africa—official	2.52 1/2
Latin America—official	2.52 1/2
Middle East—official	2.52 1/2
Far East—official	2.52 1/2

Japan-Thailand
Treaty

Tokyo, Apr. 24.
The existing trade accord between Japan and Thailand will be extended until June 30. The trade agreement was originally to expire upon the coming into force of the peace treaty.

The Thai Government has informed the Japanese Government that it agreed to the extension. A new trade accord to replace the existing treaty will be negotiated early in May in Bangkok between Thai officials and a Japanese mission.

EGYPT'S COTTON CRISIS
Market Collapse Could Bring DisasterStumbling Block
To Trade

Washington, Apr. 24.
Wayne Taylor, a member of the advisory council of the Mutual Security Agency, yesterday urged the simplification of American Customs regulations to encourage European exports to the United States.

Testifying before the Senate Finance Committee, he said the complexity and ambiguities of the American Customs procedure constituted a stumbling block to European exporters and newcomers in the American market.

Seeking
Higher
PricesLONDON WHEAT
CONFERENCE

London, Apr. 24.
The United States, Canada and Australia are seeking higher prices for their wheat, a usually reliable source close to the present London Wheat Conference said today.

There was no indication yet what prices these countries—the three major exporting members of the International Wheat Agreement—had in mind as they discussed wheat prices in an early stage. France, the other exporting country, would presumably agree to any decision.

The United States decision to join Canada and Australia in seeking a higher price had been influenced by three main considerations, the source believed.

One was the need to reduce the amount of the subsidy the United States Treasury paid to American wheat growers. This compensates growers for the difference in the price at which they sell wheat under the agreement—\$1.00 a bushel—and the "free" price of roughly \$2.45.

A reduction in the wheat subsidy would make the renewal of the agreement, which expires on July 31, more acceptable to the American Congress.

"UNREALISTIC"
The second consideration was the United States view that the agreement price of \$1.80 was unrealistic at present.

The third was that a higher price would encourage increased wheat production in Canada and Australia, necessary to the importing countries.

The London talks are expected to run their scheduled three weeks, and perhaps longer.

A decision to renew the agreement for a further term would have to be ratified by the member countries.

The present agreement was signed in Washington in March, 1949.—Reuter.

New York Sugar
Futures

New York, Apr. 24.
World sugar futures closed today 5 to 9 lower with sales totalling 292 contracts.

Contract No. 6 closed unchanged to 3 lower with sales totalling 280 contracts.

Contract No. 4 (world)
May 4.18 nominal
July 4.22
September 4.23
November 4.20
Spot 4.23

Contract No. 6
July 5.04
September 5.00
November 5.00 bid
Spot 5.00 —United Press.

Seeds And Oils

New York, Apr. 24.
Prices in the seeds and oils market closed today unchanged with the following exceptions:

Castor Seed, per long ton, F.O.B. Brazilian port, \$165.00.
Flax seed, per bushel, F.O.B. Minneapolis, \$3.66. —United Press.

First Since War

Tokyo, Apr. 24.
The Nippon Yusen Kaisha's Hikawa Maru (11,000 tons) sailed from Yokohama today for North America. She is carrying the first post-war passenger ship going abroad.—Reuter.

Government Plan To Keep
Prices At Present Level

Cairo.
A collapse in the Alexandria cotton market has been a spectre haunting Egypt's able young Minister of Finance, 41-year-old Dr Abdul Morsal Bey, ever since he took over this thankless portfolio after the fall of the Wafd Government and the calamity of "Red Saturday" when much of Cairo went up in flames.

Chaos in the Cotton Bourse could bring speedy disaster to Egypt's tottering economy. Cotton is responsible for 85 per cent of Egyptian exports—and 3,500,000 kantars normally shipped by mid-March are still in stock.

Also, Egypt faces a deficit of £25 millions in the budget.

How comes this crisis? The Wafd Government held cotton prices at an abnormal minimum level; they cherished this scheme in the unrealistic hope of bolstering their budget by forcing overseas clients to buy at this price coveted long-staple (Karnak-type) Egyptian cotton which has high prestige among spinners turning out good-grade products.

There was nothing more than a national corner operation. It encouraged speculators and resulted in bringing confusion to a Bourse known throughout the commercial world as being, at the best of times, sensitive to a degree.

There were virtually no buyers; so the present Government was compelled to let prices go as the issue was complicated by the fact that there is a small global recession.

Though some believed the market could get rid of its artificial influences in time, it left to itself, other observers in Alexandria and Cairo insisted the Government must interfere though it has no resources to back such a decision.

A WARNING
So there was pretty widespread relief and approval when the Minister of Finance said after an extraordinary Cabinet meeting that the Government would enter the cotton market at the end of the season (August 31) as purchaser ready to buy any quantity of long-staple Karnak Ashmoun at 72 taqat.

This said the Minister, was intended "as a warning to foreign spinners that the Egyptian Government was not prepared to allow a continuing landslide in prices."

Although this is bad news for manipulators who have added the Bourse to their own satisfaction for the past two years, up-country merchants will be initially relieved that prices have been fixed. With two-thirds of the Upper Egyptian crop undisposed of, a tumbling market would have brought ruin to hundreds of small and small growers.

Not long ago the Alexandria Bourse was physically invaded by up-country growers; there was an ugly scene as they demanded their rights, shouting "Down with the speculators."

The Government got a good Press when it concluded a barter deal with Russia—disposing of 500,000 kantars. But it could not hope to dispose of the crop by bartering unless some unforeseen event loomed up (another "Korean war" for instance).

There was no completely painless escape from the situation.

INFLATIONARY
Unhappily aware of this, the Government realised the market must be backed, although it is clearly an inflationary procedure involving opening a credit and printing of bank notes by the National Bank of Egypt.

One of the advantages of this course, indicating the market is not permitted to drift to a catastrophic level: it tells the banks of the lowest possible prices. For the banks are at present pressed by growers for advances on next season's crop (the cotton season here runs from September 1 to August 31).

This is a normal commercial practice giving loans to cover fertilisers, seeds, and land rents so as to prevent the bank must discover the lowest to which the market can slide.

One of the disadvantages of the course: if the world recession increases, the Government's prices can prove too high to cope with falling bourses elsewhere.

A COMPLICATION
The Hilaly Exchange has been complicated by the losses of January 26, and the fact that the cotton the Wafd Government took up at the end of last season for 235 millions has already lost 215 millions through decline in prices. It is still in stock.

But the Premier and his colleagues, the Minister of Finance, are hoping to steer the way out of trouble by

gambling on a reasonable world demand which will mop up most of the outstanding crop now that the Alexandria Bourse has been wrenched from the hands of crony speculators (it is understood one well known standstill to lose £200,000 with a static Bourse).

And the next three months will show how much the Government stands to win or lose.

HONGKONG
SHARE
MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done during this morning's session of the Stock Exchange amounted to \$99,103. New quotations and the morning's transactions:

BANKS	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
HSBC Bank	137 1/2	139 1/2	5 G 130 1/2
East Asia	140		
INSURANCES			
Union	750	750	20 G 750
Underwriters	475	2500	6 G 5
SHIPPING			
Waterboat	160	170	1000 G 162 1/2
China New	110		
DOCKS, ETC.			
K. Wharf	82	100	81
N. P. Wharf	61		
Dock	1050	1600	
Provident	11 1/2	12	1000 G 11 1/2
Wholesale	44 1/2		
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	770		
HK Land	43	44	
Shai Land	145	155	2000 G 145
Humphreys	12	900	1 1/2
UTILITIES			
Tram	1550	1590	
Peak Tram	2400		
C. Light (O)	8 1/2	8 3/4	
C. Light (N)	520	545	200 G 520 1/2
Electric	20 1/2	20 1/2	200 G 20 1/2
Macao			
Electric	1180		
INDUSTRIALS			
China New	1420	1460	
STONES, ETC.			
Daily	1610		
Water (HS)	2 1/2		
COTTONS			
Ewo	245	2500	2 G 240

The Rubber
Markets

Singapore, Apr. 24.
Prices of rubber-futures closed today as follows:

Number 1 rubber, per lb.	109 1/2-110
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Witness Cross-Examined On Chinese Language

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"Modern writing seems not yet to have worked out any rules." Referred to the headlines of the article, Mr. Barnett said that "cho kwok" which had been translated as "fatherland" meant ancestral land. Motherland was just as applicable.

Mr. Barnett said that the use of the words "British authorities" was amusing. The writer was trying to avoid using "the Government of Hongkong" but in each instance the use of "British authorities" was quite obviously referred to the Government of Hongkong.

Opening his cross-examination, Mr. Chen asked witness to look at lines of the Y. Kung Pao and find the place giving the names of the printer, printer and publisher of the newspaper. Witness said all issues stated they were printed by the Yau Lee Co., Ltd. of 121, Canal Road, Central.

Witness: Most Chinese nouns import the plural.

Is that one of your inventions or shall we say, deductions of the study of the Chinese language?—It is not an invention. It is common knowledge.

Did Hilley write a text-book, and is that to be found there?—I learned most of my knowledge of Chinese from Gustav Halou, Professor of Chinese at Cambridge University. Can I give you an example? Take the word "an." It could mean one man, but if there is nothing in the context to show singular or

plural it should be rendered in English as "men."

So this professor has added another to the things which seem to be upside down in Chinese life?—No. The professor endeavored to explain to the students, not to add or take away.

JUDGE'S DIFFICULTY
And a Chinese mother, when she says good-bye to her child, does this (Counsel indicated the motion of waving with the palm of the hand turned down)?

His Lordship: "I find that kind of evidence very difficult to take down, Mr. Chen."

There was a roar of laughter in Court.

His Lordship: "I don't want any laughter. This is very difficult, Mr. Chen."

Witness: When she does that, she is beckoning.

Mr. Chen: That is what a foreign mother would do?—Yes.

Added to this seemingly upside down or peculiar things you now tell us that the use of a noun in Chinese usually signifies the plural?—I never said anything in Chinese was upside down. I said that in translation a noun occurs by itself and the usual connotation is plural.

And that amazing general rule propounded by your professor applies to all Chinese nouns?—I don't see anything amazing. It is characteristic of the Chinese race.

What about the word Hongkong?—Is that singular or plural?—Hongkong is a place name. When you see the word Hongkong given as a place name it is singular, but it can also mean "fragrant harbours."

And the word "kong" meaning river, is that singular?—It means rivers in general.

"Mei Kwok" literally means what?—Beautiful country.

UNITED STATES
Do those words mean the United States of America, one single state, one nation?—The Chinese words for the United

States of America are "mei kwok luen pong."

What do you understand by the words "mei kwok"?—In modern Chinese newspapers it normally means America.

Referring witness to another portion of the same article, Mr. Chen asked witness what he thought of the style with regard to the education of the writer.

Witness replied that as a matter of opinion he would say it was pretty poor literary style. If case of his own pupils had written the portion of the article in that style he would send it back to be written again.

His Lordship enquired whether witness could say whether it was written by a Northerner or a Southerner.

Witness said there was no way of saying. There were one or two grammatical usages which were characteristic of the new style of writing which was based on northern colloquial.

In the written context, there was no difference between north and south. There were only certain usages.

A QUOTATION
Mr. Chen: Do you agree this article is in the form of a protest?

Witness: No. The passage referred to purports to be a quotation, but does not end with the usual word with which a quotation is ended.

You agree the whole of that reads as if it was a protest?—It purports to be a quotation of a protest.

It appears to be a recital?—Yes.

The operative part is "we wish" or "want" or "desire" to lodge our strong protest to the British authorities?—Yes.

You agree the words "British authorities" are clearly stated in the Chinese text?—Yes.

Nothing there about Imperialism or Imperialism?—No.

It is a definite statement of address, not something vague?—No. If I addressed a letter to you, I would write "Percy Chen, Esq."

We are dealing with an address to the British authorities. I would not say this was addressed to anybody, except the readers of the newspaper.

Are you now coming to the question of diplomatic propriety?—Witness did not answer, and his Lordship remarked he did not understand the question.

SHOOK HIS HEAD
Mr. Chen: The witness says no. Witness: I just shook my head because I did not understand your question.

So you shake your head when you do not understand. — If I mean to say no, I would say so.

You are not suggesting if this had come through the approved diplomatic channels you would consider it is real protest to the British authorities in Hongkong?—I don't see how I can answer the question. I am not a diplomat.

This is a direct reference, without equivocation at all, that the British authorities in Hongkong are being referred to?—Referred to, yes.

I put it to you that it is not "British authorities in Hongkong" but it is the "British authorities of Hongkong?"—The Chinese words "could" equally be either.

You don't agree with the translation?—I think there is a slip in the translation.

Who can say whether you are right or the translator is right?—I am looking at the Chinese words, Mr. Chen.

But Mr. Chan Kwok-ying, the translator, might also be right?—It is arguable.

—The trial is proceeding.

RAINS BENEFIT RESERVOIRS
Approximately 180 million gallons of water were yielded to the Colony's reservoirs as a result of the rains during the past seven days, it was officially stated this morning.

The week's consumption was 180.14 million gallons, and the actual loss for the seven days was only 5.77 million gallons.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Certainly I'm still president of the bank—but a dirty slide-walk annoys me as much as your overdrawn account!"

Living Language

Why we say Copper's mark.
Thieves' slang is often very difficult to track down but "nark" comes directly from the Roman word "nark" a nose. A "copper's nark" is a police spy or informer who may be said to *smell* out the wanted information so as to pass it on to his employers.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hare Problem
Sir—As a regular reader of Mr. Hare's problems in your paper I give below a real "hare" poster I have come across which may amuse the more mathematically-minded of your readers.

From the north-west corner of a rectangular walled field measuring 200 yards from west to east, and 100 yards from north to south, a hare sets off at a constant speed of 20 mph along the north side. At the same moment a hound starts out from the south-west corner at a fixed speed of 30 mph, heading directly towards the hare. How far has the hound run when it catches the hare?

The solution will be provided if anyone is interested.

"RABBIT"

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 6.02 Children's Half Hour—The Piper—A. Camm—Cartoon by Trevor 10.45 News—BBCRS: 6.30, Cantonese by Radio given by Miss Lee Wai-ling and S. K. Lee (Studio); 6.50, Organ Solo by Charles-Marie Wilton; 7.00, News and News Talk (London Relay); 7.10, News and News Talk (London Relay); 7.20, Programme presented by the British Council (Studio); 7.30, News and News Talk (London Relay); 7.40, News and News Talk (London Relay); 7.50, News and News Talk (London Relay); 8.00, News and News Talk (London Relay); 8.10, News and News Talk (London Relay); 8.20, News and News Talk (London Relay); 8.30, News and News Talk (London Relay); 8.40, News and News Talk (London Relay); 8.50, News and News Talk (London Relay); 9.00, News and News Talk (London Relay); 9.10, News and News Talk (London Relay); 9.20, News and News Talk (London Relay); 9.30, News and News Talk (London Relay); 9.40, News and News Talk (London Relay); 9.50, News and News Talk (London Relay); 10.00, News and News Talk (London Relay); 10.10, News and News Talk (London Relay); 10.20, News and News Talk (London Relay); 10.30, News and News Talk (London Relay); 10.40, News and News Talk (London Relay); 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